

**Amendments to the Claims:**

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A winding apparatus comprising:

a winding shaft on which a reel member capable of winding a ~~given film~~film for multistage winding at multiple stages can be mounted, ~~and~~and the film being formed of an adhesive film containing an adhesive applied on a release film wherein the release film is exposed at given intervals, and

a driving mechanism for axially moving the winding shaft on which the reel member is ~~mounted~~mounted,

wherein the winding shaft is axially moved depending on the position of the exposed part of the release film in relation to the reel member when the film for multistage winding is wound.

2. (Currently Amended) The winding apparatus of claim 1 comprising a ~~marking~~an adhesive-stripping mechanism for ~~giving an identifiable marker on the film~~acting on the adhesive film containing the adhesive applied on a release film to expose the release film at given intervals.

3. (Currently Amended) The winding apparatus of claim 2 comprising a detection mechanism for detecting the position at which the ~~marker is to be given on the film~~release film is to be exposed and a controller for controlling the ~~marking~~adhesive-stripping mechanism to operate on the basis of information from the detection mechanism.

4. (Currently Amended) A feeding apparatus comprising:

a feeding shaft on which a reel member wound ~~with a given film~~film for multistage winding at multiple stages can be mounted and which can be moved in ~~the~~ rotational and

axial directions of the reel member, the film being formed of an adhesive film containing an adhesive applied on a release film wherein the release film is exposed at given intervals,

a driving mechanism for giving power in the rotational and axial directions to the feeding shaft, and

a detection mechanism capable of detecting ~~a given marker on the film~~ the position of the exposed part of the release film in the film for multistage winding, and

a controller for controlling the driving mechanism to generate power at least in the axial direction on the basis of information from the detection mechanism.

5. (Canceled)

6. (Canceled)

7. (Canceled)

8. A method for feeding a continuous film for multistage winding from a roll of the film wound at multiple stages, the film being formed of an adhesive film ~~containing~~ including an adhesive applied on a release film wherein the release film is exposed at given intervals, the method comprising the steps of:

feeding a given stage of the film ~~film; of a given stage~~ and then

feeding ~~the film of the next stage~~ a next stage of the film by axially moving ~~the~~ winding shaft on the basis of detected information of the exposed part of the release film.